

**EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER CALLING FOR VOLUNTARY
EMERGENCY EVACUATION OF LOW-LYING AREAS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, constitutional home rule powers, Chapter 72, Seminole County Code, and Resolution 2013-R-266, the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners has adopted the Seminole County revised Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2017, a Local State of Emergency was declared under the provisions of Chapter 72, Seminole County Code, due to the serious threat to life and property within the County arising from and related to Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, Section 252.38(3)(a)(5), Florida Statutes, grants political subdivisions the authority to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community during a state of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, Section 72.6, Seminole County Code, grants the Director of Emergency Management the authority to direct and compel the evacuation of all or a part of the population from the stricken or threatened area within the County if the Director deems such action necessary for the preservation of life or other emergency mitigation, response or recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT, IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ARE NECESSARY:

Section 1. Voluntary evacuation of low-lying areas. All persons residing in low-lying areas of Seminole County are requested to voluntarily evacuate immediately and to remain outside the evacuated area until this restriction is lifted.

Section 2. Public Sheltering. Information on public sheltering can be obtained by turning to local media, Seminole County's website and Seminole County Television.

Section 3. Duration of Restrictions. These restrictions will be in effect within the legal boundaries of Seminole County, Florida, including all unincorporated and incorporated areas or, in the alternative, within the boundaries as may be determined by the director. These restrictions will remain in effect from the date of this Order until such time as they are rescinded by further Executive Order.

ORDERED this 9th day of September, 2017 at 1200 pm


DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

No addendum necessary due to nature of this Order